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VERSAILLES, MISSOURI.

How can a spineless winter have its backbone broken?

Castro says he's going back to Venezuela. We sympathize with the country.

"Street car straps are loaded with microbes," says a college professor. Mean thing to call us.

Athlete, crazed by drink, puts 20 men out of business. This suggests a new style of training.

About 4,000,000 sugar maple trees in the western reserve promise to do their full duty this spring.

The world is getting better all the time. The tobacco trust is going to raise the price of cigarettes.

The price of possum is going up presumably on the theory that anything that is fashionable must not be cheap.

Tennessee has passed a law to license boxing. Fine! Now it's up to Nevada to offer a premium on the game.

The price of cigarettes is going up, but this won't bother the man who gets his cigarettes out of the other man's box.

Burglars in Youngstown stole the burglar alarm. The blamed things are expensive, too—ought to have a watchman to protect them.

The latest New York fad is fighting duels with wax bullets. Now watch for the arrival of the man who didn't know his bullets were made of lead.

The Missouri penitentiary does not furnish baths to the prisoners. Punishments are getting milder and milder, remarks the Cleveland Leader.

One of our newest mental healers says that tired feeling is a delusion. It is certainly a mighty pleasant delusion when one is able to humor it by giving it full swing.

Wilbur Wright only charges \$600 per hour for giving lessons in aeronautics. At the price he must give instructions as to how to fall gracefully and land with the least damage.

"How to Be a Cheerful Taxpayer," is the title of a series of articles being written by a Chicago editor. Send it to the Kaiser. He is in need of that sort of cheerful literature.

Chinese in the Flowery Kingdom, having been forbidden to smoke opium, are said to be turning to cheap whisky. A local-option movement in China seems to be about due.

Alaska last year exported products worth \$34,200,000 and imported articles worth \$18,000,000. That left a very handsome balance of trade in Alaska's favor and showed that the territory is getting into line commercially.

King Alfonso seems to be a good monarch, anxious to deliver Spain from all traces of medievalism, and give her an up-to-date administration, but it is doubtful if he owes half as much of his popularity to the fact that he is a good king as to that other fact that he is a good fellow.

Jails as financial centers are something new under the sun, says the Baltimore American, but Mr. Morse, the financier during the day, attending to his usual business and making money in the ordinary ways, and Morse, the convict during the night, locked up in jail, is decidedly a picturesque feature of our complex and curious modern life.

A Syracuse woman refused a legacy of \$5,000 on the ground that she believed it was justly due the nearest relative of the decedent. It is ominous if the world is growing this honest, for Hamlet long ago declared it a condition in which doomsday would be near. But comfort is to be found in the fact that such startling honesty is just a very rare exception to prove a very common rule.

Prof. Arthur Korn of Berlin has perfected an invention which proves the theories of gravitation. He fills a metal globe with water and imparts vibration to the contents with an electric motor. He has thus found it possible to construct an exact working model of the solar system in water, in which the planets all move in their appointed paths without any visible support or externally applied power.

"It is said that the explosion was caused by one of the workmen entering an abandoned portion of the mine with a lamp, thus igniting a body of gas." This is the explanation of the recent tragedy in the colliery of the Erie Coal Company at Port Blanchard, Pennsylvania. The occupation of coal mining is beset with dangers, and one of the greatest of these dangers is the recklessness of ignorant or thoughtless miners.

NO SURPRISE TO UNCLE SAM.



ABDUCTOR FEARED MOB VIOLENCE

IS RETURNED TO COUNTY WHERE CRIME WAS COMMITTED AND PLACED IN JAIL.

TO BE ARRAIGNED IN FEW DAYS

Crowds Gather at All Stations En Route From Pittsburg But There Were No Demonstration of Violence During Trip.

Mercer, Pa.—Heavily manacled to Sheriff Chess and guarded by several detectives, James Boyle, one of the kidnapers of little Billy Whitley, was brought here Friday from Pittsburg and lodged in the Mercer county jail. His wife, it is said, will be brought here from Pittsburg today and the couple will be formally arraigned on a charge of kidnapping in a few days. Boyle feared violence on his arrival in Mercer and on the journey from Pittsburg asked Sheriff Chess if he thought the crowd would harm him. The prisoner looked greatly relieved when he saw only a scattering of people at the Mercer station. Boyle was hurried into a waiting bus and taken to the jail where he was locked in a cell on the second tier. An armed guard was placed in front of Boyle's cell and a patrolman will be stationed outside the jail all night. Sheriff Chess said that the jail would be guarded until the trial of the Boyle's was over.

Crowds Gather at Stations.

Word that the authorities were bringing Boyle to this place caused small crowds to gather at all stations en route from Pittsburg. Over two hundred people flocked about the train at Grove City and peeped into the car windows. There were no demonstrations of violence during the trip, but Boyle clearly showed he was nervous.

"Do you think they will try to harm me at Mercer?" the prisoner asked Sheriff Chess, as he neared here.

Boyle absolutely declined to discuss his case in any of its phases, except to say that he expected to engage a lawyer in a few days.

The officials questioned the prisoner about his wife's identity but other than to say that there was no question about the fact that he was married, would say nothing. Boyle would not talk of his movements previous to the kidnapping.

There is no fear of a demonstration being made here against the kidnapper. The jail officers clothed Boyle in overalls and an old shirt after he was put in a cell.

Prince George May Not Withdraw.

Belgrade, Serbia.—King Peter Friday consulted with his political leaders concerning his son's desire to renounce his right of succession, and the indications Friday night are that Crown Prince George will withdraw his renunciation.

National Bank Closes Doors.

Muskogee, Okla.—The First National Bank of Fort Gibson, Okla., closed its doors Friday. It is capitalized at \$25,000. All the deposits have been transferred to the Citizens State bank. Depositors will be paid.

Experiment With Noiseless Device.

Washington, D. C.—The war department has ordered three dozen of the Maxim noiseless gun devices for testing purposes, the test to be made within the next two or three weeks at Presidio of Monterey, Cal.

MUST SERVE OUT TIME.

Louisiana Board of Pardons Refuse Former Inspector of Police's Petition—He Shot An Editor.

New Orleans, Louisiana.—By the action Tuesday of the state board of pardons, in refusing to grant his petition for a pardon, Edward S. Whitaker, former inspector of police of New Orleans must serve three months in prison here. While at the head of the police department, Whitaker, accompanied by several detectives, entered the office of a local morning paper and shot several times at the editor, who was however, not injured. The assault grew out of articles which the editor had printed, attacking the inspector.

MEXICAN RIDERS BURN.

Bands of Raiders Depredate Henequin Fields Where Koreans Are Employed.

Merida, Yucatan.—Night riders are invading tobacco and henequin fields in this section. Koreans have been imported by big land owners to work in the fields and native Mexicans, angered by the action, are raiding the fields of these owners and destroying the crops. Recently a number of henequin fields have been burned.

The land owners are greatly disturbed by the depredations and are planning an organized fight against the riders.

Bill Aims at Kidnappers.

Washington, D. C.—Penalties to fit the crime of kidnapping are provided in a bill introduced by Representative Roberg in the house Tuesday. It provides that the extreme penalty for kidnapping and concealing a child shall be imprisonment for life and for kidnapping a child under 12 years for the purpose of extorting ransom, hanging.

One Killed in Tornado.

Laredo, Texas.—One person was killed, four others were injured and property damage estimated at \$75,000 resulted from a tornado which swept through this city and vicinity Tuesday night, destroying all wire communication to the north of Laredo.

Assistant to Be Retained.

Washington, D. C.—The attorney general has asked Wade H. Ellis, of Ohio, to continue in his present position of assistant to the attorney general, and it is officially announced Tuesday afternoon that Mr. Ellis had agreed to do so.

Whitley Has Ransom Money.

Sharon, Pennsylvania.—Guarded by several private detectives in plain clothes, James P. Whitley, father of the abducted lad for whose ransom \$10,000 was paid, returned home Thursday night, bringing with him the money which was recovered when James Boyle and his wife were arrested in Cleveland.

Receiver for Smelting Plant.

Grand Junction, Colorado.—Alexander Seeg Miller was appointed receiver for the Grand Junction Smelting company by District Judge Shackelford Tuesday. The plant has been idle more than three years.

Roosevelt's Comrade Dies.

Cincinnati, Ohio.—Just as Theodore Roosevelt sailed from New York for Africa Tuesday, one of his comrades at San Juan Hill, Major B. H. Brown, died of apoplexy at the dinner table at Fort Thomas, Ky.

SNOW TIES UP TRAFFIC

DENVER SUBURBAN LINES ARE OUT OF COMMISSION.

Six Thousand Telephone Wires, Telegraph Lines and Fire Alarm System Rendered Useless.

Denver, Colo.—Eight inches of wet, clinging snow, following several hours of steady rain, did damage in the city of Denver Tuesday night estimated at from \$200,000 to \$300,000 and cut off all communication with the outside world so completely that up to a late hour Wednesday evening it had not been restored. Every wire of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies, every toll line of the telephone company, was carried down by the heavy snow, along with hundreds of poles, the city's fire alarm system was almost destroyed, six thousand telephone wires in the city were rendered useless and hundreds of trees in the parks and along the boulevards were badly damaged. For several hours Wednesday morning street car service was at a standstill and thousands of people plodded to work through the slush. Suburban electric lines were put out of commission, and trains on all railroads were many hours late, as the train dispatchers were helpless.

In the vicinity of Seventh and Laramie streets poles are down for a distance of a mile, and the great mass of telephone, telegraph and electric wires in falling carried with them part of the Laramie street viaduct and completely blocked railroad and street car traffic. Many small fires were caused by broken and crossed wires.

Panama Health Condition Improve.

Washington, D. C.—Health conditions on the Panama canal zone in 1908 were more favorable than at any time since the American occupation, according to a report made by Chief Sanitary Officer Gorgas, of the Isthmian canal commission. With 43,890 employees, there were but 571 deaths or 13.01 per thousand. The black death rate was less than the white death rate.

Tornado in Kansas.

Topeka, Kas.—The storm of snow and sleet which swept across Colorado and western Kansas Tuesday night assumed the proportions of a tornado near Edson, Sherman county. Nine cars of a freight train of the Rock Island road were blown from the track between Edson and Brewster, ten miles west. Houses in both towns were unroofed but no fatalities occurred.

Swift Hall of Engineering Opens.

Chicago, Ill.—With the opening Wednesday of the Swift Hall of Engineering a \$100,000 building given by Edward F. Swift, of Swift & Company, and his mother, Mrs. G. F. Swift, the Northwestern University at Evanston begins a new era. Engineering as a profession will be taught from now on.

Kills Man Who Attacks Wife.

Kansas City, Mo.—Leon E. Brady, a mining engineer, late Wednesday shot and killed Joseph E. Flanagan, a mining promoter. Brady told the police that Flanagan attacked Mrs. Brady in the hall of their home Wednesday.

Boy Wants \$10,000 for Fracture.

Chicago, Ill.—Gerald Dillon, 12 years old, filed a suit for \$10,000 Wednesday against the catholic bishop of Chicago. The boy claims that a year ago, while he was decorating his grandfathers grave in Mount Olivet cemetery, a tombstone fell on him and broke his leg.

Two Children Poisoned.

Deal Island, Md.—Two children of Hosea Webster, a merchant of this town, are dead as a result, it is thought, of ptomaine poisoning, caused by eating canned ham, and other members of the family are in a critical condition.

Secretary Nagel to Go on Stump.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Nagel of the department of commerce and labor, expects to go to St. Louis, his home city, next week for the city election. He will deliver two or three addresses in the course of the campaign.

Air Ship Line Delayed.

Boston, Mass.—Owing to a desire to obtain a larger dirigible balloon than was at first proposed, the aerial navigation company will not put a dirigible in service between Boston and New York next summer.

Middles Loose Opening Game.

Annapolis, Md.—The midshipmen baseball season was opened here Wednesday afternoon with the defeat of the navy by a score of 5 to 7 at the hands of the St. John's college nine of this city.

A CONSTIPATION REMEDY FREE

There is no action of your daily life of greater importance than to see that your bowels move. They should move at least once a day naturally, and by that is meant without any help. If they do not move at least once a day you can consider yourself constipated and it is time you did something about it.

You will be glad to know there is a way out of the difficulty. Lemuel Landerdale, an old soldier at Quincy, Ill., Elmer McMillan, of Speed, Mo., Mrs. Monahan, of Stonewall, Miss., and many others were as you are now. But one day they awoke to the fact that Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin was curing their friends, so they bought it too and it cured them. To-day, they are loud in praise of it.

What Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin did for them it should do for you. Surely your constipation is no worse than theirs, one of whom had it since '61. It only remains for you to realize that salts are of but temporary good, and what you want is a permanent cure; that purgative tablets, cathartic pills and such violent things make a great show of doing something, but do nothing that is lasting. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a scientific preparation, a laxative- tonic, a mild syrupy liquid that contains ingredients that not only cure the constipation, but tone the intestinal muscles so that they learn again to work without help. A bottle can be bought of any drugist for the small price of 50 cents, and there is a dollar size for families who have already found out its wonderful value in stomach, liver and bowel troubles, in old or young. Send your name and address to the doctor and a free trial bottle will be sent you so that you can test it before buying.

If there is anything about your ailment that you don't understand, or if you want any medical advice, write to the doctor, and he will answer you fully. There is no charge for this service. The address is Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 201 Caldwell bldg., Monticello, Ill.

PREDESTINED TO THE BAR.

Goldfield Youngster Had Early Learned the Value of Quibble.

Doctor Norris of Goldfield, Nev., called his eight-year-old son into the library after breakfast the other morning, and regarded him with a sad frown.

"Harry," he said, "why are you so often late at school?"

"I'm never late, father," Harry responded promptly.

"Careful, son," said the doctor. "Try to remember. Haven't you been late at school in the last few days?"

"No, sir."

"Then why has your teacher written me this letter, saying you were late three times last week?"

"Oh, I'll tell you, father," said Harry, reassuringly. "I don't know what kind of a clock they have at our school, but I'm always on time. Of course, they start school sometimes before I get there, but that isn't my fault—is it?"—Harper's Weekly.

TWO YEARS OF FREEDOM.

No Kidney Trouble at All Since Using Doan's Kidney Pills.

Mrs. J. B. Johnson, 710 Wee St., Columbia, Mo., says: "I was in misery with kidney trouble, and finally had to undergo an operation. I did not rally well, and began to suffer another spells and dropsy. My left side was badly swollen and the action of the kidneys much disordered. My doctors said I would have to be tapped, but I began using Doan's Kidney Pills instead, and the swelling subsided and the kidneys began to act properly. Now my health is fine." (Statement made Aug. 1, 1906, and confirmed by Mrs. Johnson Nov. 16, 1908.) Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

WITH MOTHER A CLOSE SECOND.



"Hi, you, Willie! Wat's de matter?" "Nuthin'. I'm trainin' for a Marathon!"

With a smooth Iron and Defiance Starch, you can launder your shirt-waist just as well at home as the steam laundry can; it will have the proper stiffness and finish, there will be less wear and tear of the goods, and it will be a positive pleasure to use a Starch that does not stick to the iron.

Kentucky May Grow Turkish Tobacco. Turkish cigarette manufacturers want Kentucky to grow Turkish tobacco, imports of which have grown from \$25,000 to \$4,000,000 in only 12 years.

Lewis' Single Binder costs more than other 5c cigars. Smokers know why. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

It takes a has-been a long time to find it out.